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SECOND STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants ask to be informed of the status of the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants previously filed a Status Inquiry on October 19, 2006. As of to date,

Applicants have not received a response to the filed Status Inquiry from the U. S. Patent Office.

Applicants are unaware of any action on the merits in this case by the U.S. Patent Office since the filing date of December 10, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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